

Agency 387

Washington State Arts Commission**Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands

	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2003-05 Expenditure Authority	16.6	4,527	1,026	5,553
Total Maintenance Level	16.6	4,625	1,301	5,926
Difference		98	275	373
Percent Change from Current Biennium	0.0%	2.2%	26.8%	6.7%
Performance Changes				
Washington Federation of State Employees Cost of Living Adjustment/Salary Survey		13		13
Super Coalition Health Benefits		12		12
Performance Pay		12		12
Nonrepresented Employees Cost of Living Adjustment		49		49
Nonrepresented Employees Health Benefit Change		17		17
Pension Method Change		(41)		(41)
General Inflation		(10)	(1)	(11)
Art Acquisition	1.0			
Subtotal	1.0	52	(1)	51
Total Proposed Budget	17.6	4,677	1,300	5,977
Difference	1.0	150	274	424
Percent Change from Current Biennium	6.0%	3.3%	26.7%	7.6%
Total Proposed Budget by Activity				
Build Participation in the Arts	5.6	936	116	1,052
Local Arts Organizations	3.0	1,518	1,018	2,536
Public Art	6.0	570		570
Support the Arts as Basic Education	3.0	1,653	166	1,819
Total Proposed Budget	17.6	4,677	1,300	5,977

PERFORMANCE LEVEL CHANGE DESCRIPTIONS**Art Acquisition**

Additional staffing is needed to address the growing workload experienced by the Arts Commission due to increased capital budget activity. An additional project manager will enable the commission to fully develop and manage public art programs. Funding will come from a capital budget allocation for program administrative costs.

EDUCATION - OTHER

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Build Participation in the Arts

Washington residents and visitors have expanded opportunities to participate in the arts through the agency's investment in community-based organizations and initiatives throughout the state, including project grants, partnerships, and community arts development. Through funding, technical assistance, and leadership, the agency works with partners to integrate the arts into key local issues such as downtown revitalization, tourism, and services for at-risk youth. A private grant program funds pilot projects to expand arts participation in geographically remote, economically disadvantaged, disabled, and ethnic communities.

Local Arts Organizations

Grant awards to organizations provide financial support for essential programs, leveraging additional funding, reducing admission prices, and expanding public access to quality arts programs. Funding is directed to organizations in various stages of development and requires accountability and evaluation reporting. General operating expenses are supported by two grant categories; this is one of the rarest forms of grant funds available to organizations.

Public Art

The Art in Public Places program has mandated responsibility (RCW 43.46.090) to acquire and place artwork in publicly accessible places throughout Washington State. The program maintains the acquired artwork through directed conservation and education efforts.

Support the Arts as Basic Education

The arts are integrated into learning opportunities for students of all ages. The agency funds arts education at many levels including programs at public schools, professional arts training institutes, and through folk arts apprenticeships. Teachers, artists, and pre-service teachers are trained in the Essential Academic Learning Requirements (EALRs) in the Arts, in integrating the arts with other subject areas, and in assessing student progress. Adult learners, including pre-service teachers, arts administrators and others, are trained in the arts, arts management, and community development in the arts through agency-provided workshops and assistance.